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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

Applicants : Constantine Tsikos and C. Harry Knowles  
Application Serial No.: 10/068,803  
Filing Date : February 6, 2002  
Title : BIOPTICAL PRODUCT AND PRODUCE IDENTIFICATION  
SYSTEMS EMPLOYING PLANAR LASER ILLUMINATION  
AND IMAGING (PLIIM) BASED SUBSYSTEMS  
Examiner : Thien Le  
Group Art Unit : 2876  
Attorney Docket No. : 108-127USAND0

Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
and Trademarks  
Washington, DC 20231

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED MAY 19, 2005

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed in the present Application on May 19, 2005,  
Applicants submit the following amendments to the same:

AMENDMENT OF THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 263 and 265 without prejudice or disclaimer and amend claims 264  
and 266 as follows:

Claims 1-263 (canceled)

Claim 264 (currently amended): ~~The bioptical system of claim 263,~~ A bioptical system which  
comprises:

a housing having a bottom portion and a side portion;  
bottom and side light transmission apertures formed in said bottom and side portions,  
respectively;

a first imaging window mounted over said first light transmission aperture, and a second  
imaging window mounted over said second light transmission aperture;

a bottom planar laser illumination and imaging (PLIIM) based subsystem mounted within  
said bottom portion of the housing, and producing and projecting a first planar coplanar laser

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